

Notice of Public Hearing for Proposed Miscellaneous structure

Andrew Bernhagen, 4660 Pinery Pt. Crt., Junction City, WI 54443 has applied to the Department of Natural Resources for a permit to place a structure on the bed of Lake Du Bay.

The project is located in the NE1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 9, Township 25 North, Range 7 East, Town of Eau Pleine, Portage County.

This project comprises installing a 1210-ft by 75-ft array of buoys for a water-ski slalom course in Lake DuBay. A set of plastic pipes would be anchored on the lakebed and the buoys are tethered to the pipes with bungee cords. A total of 26 buoys would be placed, each about 9 inches in diameter, and the colors are orange, yellow, and green. The structure would be placed between an island and the lakeshore in the southwest part of the lake.

The Department will review the proposal provided by the applicant and any information from public comments and the public informational hearing. The Department will determine whether the proposal complies with ss. 1.11 and 30.12(3m), Stats., and ch. NR 150, Wis. Adm. Code, and ensure that the required mitigation meets the standards in s. 281.36(3r), Stats. if the project impacts wetlands.

The Department has tentatively determined that it will approve the permit for the proposed activity with modifications.

If you would like to know more about this project or would like to see the application and plans, please visit the Department's permit tracking website at <https://permits.dnr.wi.gov/water/SitePages/Permit%20Search.aspx>.

Reasonable accommodation, including the providing informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for persons with qualifying disabilities upon request.

The public hearing is scheduled for Thursday May 29, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Eau Pleine Town Hall, 3191 Highway 34, Junction City, Wisconsin.

The Department has scheduled a public hearing on this activity or project because the Department received a request for a public hearing. The hearing will be a public informational hearing where members of the public can learn more about the proposed activity and submit written or oral comments about the waterway and project in light of the legal standards above.

Any member of the public may submit written comments by writing to Will Stites, 473 Griffith Ave., Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin 54494 by U.S. mail, or e-mailing Will.Stites@wisconsin.gov. Comments should include the docket number or applicant name, and should relate to whether the project meets the legal standards listed above. Comments must be postmarked no later than 10 days after the date that the public informational hearing is completed in order for them to be considered.

The final decision may be appealed as indicated in the permit decision document.

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WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

For the Secretary

May 12, 2014

Will Stites Date

Water Management Specialist